

REMARKS

In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application.

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§103 Rejections

Claims 30 and 31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being unpatentable over Lin, US patent number 5,717,957 (Lin, hereinafter) in view of Rathonyi et al. patent number 6,359,877 (Rathonyi, hereinafter).

10 Applicant has canceled claims 30 and 31.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-29 and 32-35 are explicitly allowed. Applicant appreciates the allowance of claims 1-29 and 32-35.

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Conclusion

Applicant respectfully requests prompt issuance of the present application. Should any issue remain that prevents immediate issuance of the application, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney to discuss the unresolved issue.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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